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In re application of: Haugland *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/005,050

Filed: December 3, 2001

For: Labeling Immobilized Proteins with
Dipyrrometheneboron Difluoride Dyes

Examiner: Mary E. Ceperley

Group Art Unit: 1641

Docket No. MP.0073

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